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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claims 1-2, 5-9, 13-15, 17, and 19 of record as follows:

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Claim 1 (amended). A utility lighter, comprising:

a casing having a lighter housing, which has an internal cavity and a pusher cavity therein, and a tubular lighter rod extended from said lighter housing, wherein said lighter housing further has a safety slot communicating said internal cavity with an exterior of said lighter housing;

a fuel storage housing disposed in said internal cavity of said lighter housing for storing liquefied gaseous fuel to ignite said utility lighter;

an ignition system which comprises:

a piezoelectric unit supported in said internal cavity for generating piezoelectricity, wherein said piezoelectric unit comprises a movable part and a fixed part;